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In re Patent Application of:

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Serial No.: Unknown

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For: CERAMIC ELECTRONIC COMPONENT AND METHOD OF PRODUCING THE
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Asst. Commissioner for Patents
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REQUEST FOR CONTINUING APPLICATION UNDER 37 C.F.R. 1.53(b)

Sir:

This is a request for the filing of a divisional application under the provisions of 37 C.F.R. 1.53(b) of pending application Serial No. 09/281,502, filed March 30, 1999, by Toshiaki OZASA, entitled "Ceramic Electronic Component and Method of Producing the Same". The prior application is hereby incorporated by reference.

Enclosed is a copy of the prior application, including the oath or declaration as originally filed.

I hereby state that the attached papers are a copy of prior application Serial No. 09/281,502, filed March 30, 1999, without any new matter therein.

Cancel in this application original claims 1-5 of the prior application before calculating the filing fee.

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Amend the specification by inserting at page 1, line3, the paragraph:

--This is a division of application Serial No. 09/281,502, filed March 30, 1999.--

This application includes ONE (1) formal drawing sheet containing Figure 1.

Priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119 based on Japanese Application No. 10-94518, filed April 7, 1998, is claimed. The certified copy of the priority application has been filed in said prior application Serial No. 09/281,502, filed March 30, 1999.

The prior application was assigned to Murata Manufacturing Co., Ltd. and is recorded at Reel 9880, Frame 0074.

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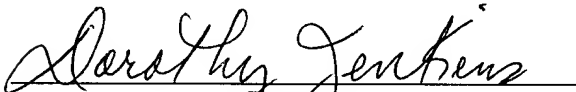
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